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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by UNPROFOR regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 24 and 28 February 1994, there appear to have been 54 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are attached as annex I to this note verbale.

The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 1,484.

Annex I

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(24 - 28 February 1994)

SRL	DATE	START	END	REMARKS	HEADING SPEED ALT.
1456	24 Feb	09.23	09.33	AWACS made radar contact 12 kilometres northwest of Posusje, heading northeast. Contact was lost 25 kilometres northeast of Posusje. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northeast 5,000 Ft 120 Kts
1457	24 Feb	10.22	10.36	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a helicopter 30 kilometres northeast of Posusje, heading southeast. Visual contact was lost 30 kilometres northeast of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southeast 4,000 Ft Slow
1458	24 Feb	11.00	11.01	UNPROFOR personnel observed a MI-8 helicopter flying 20 kilometres southwest of Vitez. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Unknown Low Slow
1459	24 Feb	11.06	11.10	UNPROFOR personnel observed a MI-8 helicopter (Tail No. H-213) flying over the Vitez base heading east. The helicopter returned shortly heading west. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	East then West Low Slow
1460	24 Feb	11.50	11.51	UNPROFOR personnel observed a white MI-8 helicopter (Tail No. T9-HAG) with a blue stripe landing 1 kilometres south of Jablanica (40 kilometres north of Mostar). The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Landing Low Slow
1461	24 Feb	14.10	14.11	UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter flying 20 kilometres south of Zenica heading north. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North Low Slow
1462	24 Feb	14.41	14.49	AWACS made radar contact 33 kilometres south of Tuzla, heading south. Contact was lost 28 kilometres north of Sarajevo. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South Low 100 Kts
1463	25 Feb	11.20	14.30	UNPROFOR personnel observed a BSA helicopter landing north of the Sava Bridge, carrying the minister and deputy minister of Internal Affairs. The helicopter returned to Bosnia and Herzegovina at 1430 hours. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North then South Low Slow
1464	25 Feb	14.58	15.01	AWACS made radar contact 36 kilometres north of Banja Luka, heading north. The contact exited the No Fly Zone and contact was lost 43 kilometres north of Banja Luka. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North Unknown 125 Kts

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1465	25 Feb	16.10	16.11	United Nations helicopter made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter 4 kilometres north of Posusje, heading south. The visual contact was maintained for only a short time. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South Unknown Unknown
1466	25 Feb	16.23	16.48	AWACS made radar contact 4 kilometres northeast of Posusje, heading northeast. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a Gazelle. The Gazelle turned west and exited the No Fly Zone. Contact was lost 35 kilometres northwest of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northeast then West 500 Ft Slow
1467	25 Feb	17.30	17.31	UNPROFOR personnel observed a flying MI-8 helicopter 20 kilometres south of Gorni Vakuf, heading south. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South Low Slow
1468	25 Feb	17.31	17.45	AWACS made radar contact 27 kilometres southwest of Mostar, heading northwest. Contact was lost 17 kilometres south of Gorni Vakuf. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northwest Unknown Slow
1469	25 Feb	18.32	18.55	AWACS made radar contact 13 kilometres south of Vitez, heading south west. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a helicopter which landed in the vicinity of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southwest Unknown Slow
1470	25 Feb	19.03	19.21	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres south of Vitez, heading northeast. During the same time period, UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter in the vicinity of Vitez attracting ground fire. Contact was lost in the vicinity of Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Northeast Low Slow
1471	25 Feb	19.43	20.04	AWACS made radar contact 12 kilometres south of Vitez, heading southwest. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter. The helicopter landed in the vicinity of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southwest Unknown 130 Kts
1472	25 Feb	19.56	20.25	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres northeast of Posusje, heading north. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter. The helicopter landed 4 kilometres south of Vitez. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North Unknown Slow
1473	25 Feb	20.56	21.25	AWACS made radar contact 8 kilometres north of Gorni Vakuf, heading southwest. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact on a green MI-8 helicopter which landed 4 kilometres north of Tomislavgrad. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southwest Low 115 Kts
1474	25 Feb	22.15	22.16	AWACS made radar contact 3 kilometres south of Tomislavgrad, heading north. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a helicopter landing 4 kilometres north of Tomislavgrad. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North Low 115 Kts

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1475	26 Feb	01.14	01.21	AWACS made radar contact 23 kilometres north of Posusje. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter. The helicopter landed on a soccer field north of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southwest 500 Ft 135 Kts
1476	26 Feb	01.37	01.56	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres south of Posusje, heading southeast. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter. The helicopter landed 10 kilometres south of Medugorje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southeast 3,500 Ft 130 Kts
1477	26 Feb	03.28	03.56	AWACS made radar contact 18 kilometres southeast of Posusje. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter. Contact was lost 15 kilometres east of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northeast 2,500 - 5,000 Ft 130 Kts
1478	26 Feb	04.05	04.13	AWACS made radar contact 6 kilometres northwest of Posusje, heading south. The contact exited the No Fly Zone and was lost 10 kilometres southwest of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South Low 143 Kts
1479	26 Feb	08.37	08.50	UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter with Croat flag and red cross landing at the sport field in Prozor (17 kilometres south of Gorni Vakuf). The helicopter took off and headed south. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southeast then South Low Slow
1480	26 Feb	09.06	09.20	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a grey MI-8 helicopter 2 kilometres west of Posusje. The helicopter landed on a soccer field. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South Low 100 Kts
1481	26 Feb	09.10	13.30	This flight began as an UNPROFOR approved MEDEVAC from Pale to Zvornik, by an olive green MI-8 helicopter (Tail No. 12369) with Serb flag and red cross markings. It became a violation when it deviated from its approved flight plan by returning to Pale 3 hours and 35 minutes after its scheduled return. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Northeast then Southwest Low Slow
1482	26 Feb	10.38	10.55	AWACS made radar contact 3 kilometres northeast of Posusje. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a grey MI-8 helicopter. At 10.54 hours, UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter, with a Croatian flag and red cross markings, flying in the vicinity of Prozor. The helicopter landed near a lake bed 3 kilometres west of Prozor. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northwest 6,500 Ft 100 Kts
1483	26 Feb	17.41	17.46	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres north of Posusje. Contact was lost over the Posusje landing area. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southwest 8,000 Ft 145 Kts
1484	26 Feb	18.45	19.04	AWACS made radar contact 3 kilometres northeast of Posusje. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a grey MI-8 helicopter. Contact was lost 8 kilometres west of Prozor. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northeast 7,500 Ft 160 Kts

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1485	26 Feb	19.31	19.46	AWACS made radar contact 25 kilometres northeast of Posusje. Contact was lost 15 kilometres west of Medugorje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southeast 700 Ft 100 Kts
1486	26 Feb	19.31	19.39	AWACS made radar contact 18 kilometres northeast of Posusje. Contact was lost 4 kilometres south of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southwest 6,000 Ft 113 Kts
1487	26 Feb	21.20	21.45	AWACS made radar contact 8 kilometres northeast of Posusje. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter. Contact was lost over Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northeast Low Slow
1488	26 Feb	21.57	22.20	AWACS made radar contact 8 kilometres north of Gorni Vakuf. NATO fighter investigated and made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter. Contact was lost 1 kilometre north of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South Low Slow
1489	26 Feb	23.22	00.19	AWACS made radar contact 6 kilometres northeast of Posusje. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter which was heading southwest of Vitez. Contact was lost in the vicinity of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northeast then Southwest 7,000 then 8,000 Ft 110 Kts
1490	27 Feb	13.55	13.56	UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter with red cross 15 kilometres northeast of Knin. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Northeast Unknown Unknown
1491	27 Feb	14.25	14.34	AWACS made radar contact 7 kilometres southeast of Posusje, heading northwest. Contact was lost over Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northwest 3,300 Ft 100 Kts
1492	27 Feb	15.05	15.06	UNPROFOR personnel observed a white and blue MI-17 helicopter with red cross flying over Zenica heading northwest. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Northwest Low Unknown
1493	27 Feb	15.08	15.10	UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter coming from southwest and landing at Zaluzani. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Southwest Low Unknown
1494	27 Feb	16.42	16.43	UNPROFOR personnel observed a white and blue MI-17 helicopter with red cross flying over Zenica and heading northwest. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Northwest Low Unknown

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1495	27 Feb	17.46	18.16	AWACS made radar contact 5 kilometres east of Gorni Vakuf heading southwest. A United Nations helicopter (UN 130) made visual contact with a helicopter landing at Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southwest 4,000 Ft 100 Kts
1496	27 Feb	18.10	18.16	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres northwest of Posusje, heading southeast. A United Nations helicopter (UN 133) made visual contact with a helicopter landing at Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Southeast 4,000 Ft 100 Kts
1497	27 Feb	18.54	20.01	AWACS made radar contact 1 kilometre north of Posusje, heading northeast. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a helicopter. The helicopter proceeded to the vicinity of Zenica and returned to Posusje without landing. Contact was lost near Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northeast then Southwest 10,000 Ft 100 Kts
1498	27 Feb	21.58	22.30	AWACS made radar contact 12 kilometres northeast of Posusje, heading northeast. Contact was lost 5 kilometres south of Vitez. At the same time, UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter flying over Vitez heading northwest and landing in the vicinity of Vitez. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northeast then Southwest 8,000 Ft 100 Kts
1499	27 Feb	22.38	23.15	UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter taking off in the vicinity of Vitez. At 22.43 hours, AWACS made radar contact 28 kilometres northwest of Gorni Vakuf, heading south. Contact was lost in the vicinity of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Northwest then South 13,000 Ft 96 Kts
1500 1501 1502 1503 1504 1505	28 Feb	05.30	05.55	UNPROFOR personnel observed 4 Galeb trainer/ground attack aircraft taking off from Udbina in Sector South of the UNPAs, heading east. At 05.33 hours, AWACS made radar contact 55 kilometres southwest of Banja Luka, heading southeast. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with 6 Galebs. Warnings were issued on appropriate frequencies without reaction. At 05.37 hours, UNPROFOR personnel observed 2 Galebs dropping bombs on an ammunition factory in Novi Travnik (15 kilometres west of Vitez). At the same time, UNPROFOR personnel in Bugojno (43 kilometres southwest of Vitez) observed 4 Galebs dropping 8 bombs, hitting an ammunition compound and a hospital. Subsequently, 4 Galebs were successfully engaged. Contact was soon lost with the other 2 Galebs. At 05.50 hours, UNPROFOR personnel observed one Galeb landing at Udbina from the south. The unauthorized flights occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Southeast then Northwest 3,000 - 6,000 Ft Unknown
1506	28 Feb	08.25	08.27	UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter flying 12 kilometres north of Bihac. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Circling Unknown Unknown
1507	28 Feb	11.15	16.05	This flight began as a UNPROFOR approved MEDEVAC from Pale to Zvornik, by an olive green MI-8 helicopter (Tail No. 12369) with Serb flag and red cross markings. It became a violation when it deviated from its approved flight plan by returning to Pale 4 hours and 25 minutes after its scheduled return. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Northeast then Southwest Low Slow

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1508	28 Feb	14.54	14.59	AWACS made radar contact 20 kilometres northeast of Banja Luka. Contact was lost 10 kilometres northeast of Banja Luka. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South Unknown Unknown
1509	28 Feb	15.38	15.43	AWACS made radar contact 50 kilometres northeast of Tuzla. Contact was lost 35 kilometres northeast of Tuzla. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Southwest Low Slow